

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION		DOCKET No.:	53647
OF:	DIETZEN ET AL.	CONFIRMATION No.:	7429
SERIAL No.	10/516,921	GROUP ART UNIT:	1791
FILED:	DECEMBER 07, 2004	EXAMINER:	M. J. DANIELS
FOR:	METHOD FOR PRODUCING EXPANDABLE POLYSTYRENE		

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
PRELIMINARY SUBMISSION

Sir:

In response to the final Office action of January 05, 2009, and the Advisory action dated March 30, 2009, applicants herewith respectfully request Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114. For further prosecution, kindly enter and consider the attached preliminary amendments¹⁾ and the following preliminary remarks.

It is further respectfully requested that *two* month extensions of time be granted in this case. The respective \$490.00 fee is paid herewith by credit card.

Also, please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including Extension of Time fees, to Deposit Account No. 14.1437. Please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,
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Encl.: CLAIM AMENDMENTS (Appendix I)

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1) Cf. the **Claim Amendments** set forth in Appendix I on pages 11 to 13 of this paper.